

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 23

By Lynn

A RESOLUTION to recognize Kevin Miller
on becoming an Eagle Scout.

WHEREAS, At a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Boy Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young people with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, The highest rank a Boy Scout can attain is that of Eagle Scout and Kevin Miller, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor; and

WHEREAS, Kevin is a junior at Mt. Juliet Christian Academy, where he has demonstrated considerable ability as a leader among his peers, playing on the golf team, singing in the choir and performing in the school's recent production of Bye, Bye Birdie; and

WHEREAS, Kevin initiated his affiliation with the Boy Scouts of America as a Cub Scout in Pack 43 at Dodson Elementary School in 1994; as a member of Pack 43, he received the Webelos Arrow of Light, the highest honor a Cub Scout can attain; and

WHEREAS, His notable record of achievement as a member of Boy Scout Troop 263, which he joined in 1997, includes 39 Merit Badges and distinguished service as Assistant Patrol

Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Senior Patrol Leader and Chaplain's Aide; and

WHEREAS, He is the 1997 recipient of the Gold Arrow Award for the Hermitage District and has qualified for a Gold, Silver and Bronze Palm; and

WHEREAS, Kevin is a Brotherhood Member of Wa-hi-nasa Lodge in the Order of the Arrow, an honor society for scouts who have demonstrated outstanding service and camping skills, and was elected Treasurer of the Lodge for 2003; and

WHEREAS, Kevin's Eagle project greatly contributed to the betterment of his community and reflected the true spirit of Volunteerism, as he coordinated the design and construction of new storage space at First Baptist Church of Mt. Juliet, raising funds and enlisting and supervising volunteers; and

WHEREAS, He evinces his devout religious faith as an active member of First Baptist Church of Mt. Juliet, where he sings in the church choir, performs in dramatic productions, plays the guitar in worship services and serves on the Youth Council; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Kevin Miller as one of the most outstanding young people in our State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby applaud and honor Kevin Miller on becoming an Eagle Scout and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.